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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: DRAFT RESOLUTIONS FOR SECURITY
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REF: A) USUN 878; B) JONES/BARRY TELCON; C) USUN 877

1. UNDERSTAND FROM REF B THAT UKUN HAS RECEIVED NEW
INSTRUCTIONS AUTHORIZING IT TO CONSULT WITH WESTERN
AND AFRICAN DELEGATIONS ON THE BASIS OF ITS DRAFT
WITH THE AIM OF PRODUCING A RESOLUTION WHICH COULD BE

ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS.

2. USUN SHOULD CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE BRITISH LEAD IN NEGOTIATING ON RESOLUTIONS WITH THE AFRICANS. HOWEVER, AFTER CONSULTING WITH THE BRITISH YOU MAY SUGGEST TO OTHER WESTERN COUNCIL MEMBERS AT MONDAY MORNING CONSULTATIONS THAT US WOULD BE ABLE TO VOTE FOR THE AFRICAN DRAFT IF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING CHANGES COULD BE NEGOTIATED:

A) OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 1 WOULD HAVE TO BE CHANGED TO READ "CONDEMNS THE ACTIONS OF THE ILLEGAL REGIME IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA INCLUDING ANY ACTION TO CONTRIVE A

SETTLEMENT WHICH DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR GENUINE MAJORITY RULE."

B) OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 2 WOULD HAVE TO BE CHANGED TO READ "DECLARES AS ILLEGAL AND UNACCEPTABLE ANY SETTLEMENT WHICH DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR GENUINE MAJORITY RULE AND CALLS UPON ALL STA;"S NOT TO ACCORD ANY RECOGNITION TO SUCH SETTLEMENT."

3. IF THE BRITISH THINK IT DESIRABLE, WE WOULD ALSO BE PREPARED TO MAKE AN EXPLANATION OF VOTE, POINTING OUT THAT WE DO NOT REGARD THIS RESOLUTION AS MANDATORY. CONFIDENTIAL

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4. IN DISCUSSING TACTICS WITH THE BRITISH AND OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS, USUN SHOULD POINT OUT THAT WE SEE ADVANTAGES IN WORKING FROM THE AFRICAN DRAFT IF IT BECOMES CLEAR THAT THE BRITISH DRAFT STANDS NO CHANCE OF SUCCESS. IN PARTICULAR, OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS 4 AND 6 STRIKE US AS LANGUAGE WE SHOULD SEIZE UPON, COMING AS IT DOES FROM THE AFRICANS.

5. USUN SHOULD SUGGEST TO UKUN THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO THEIR DRAFT WHICH, IN OUR VIEW, WOULD MAKE IT MORE NEGOTIABLE WITH THE AFRICANS:

A) IN OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 1 CHANGE FIRST PHRASE TO READ: "CONDEMNS ATTEMPTS BY THE ILLEGAL REGIME TO PURSUE...".

B) CHANGE FIRST PHRASE OF OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH TO READ: "FURTHER DECLARES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE AAP, THAT ANY SETTLEMENT MUST PROVIDE FOR...".

C) CHANGE OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 3A TO READ: "A GENUINE

TRANSFER OF POWER BY THE ILLEGAL REGIME AND THE
INSTITUTION OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR AN IMPARTIALLY
ADMINISTERED TRANSITIONAL PERIOD ASSURING THE CONDUCT
OF GENUINELY FREE AND IMPARTIAL ELECTIONS...".

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